

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant respectfully requests that the pending claims be amended as indicated in the accompanying amended page(s), in which:

- Claims 1, 10 - 12, and 27 - 30 are amended;
- Claims 9, 17, and 31 are cancelled; and
- Claim 33 is added.

By these amendments, claims 1-8, 10-16, 18 - 20, 21-31, and 32 - 33 are pending. Applicant submits that no new matter has been added by these amendments.

- Remarks -

35 USC §103(a)

Independent claim 1, from which all remaining pending claims are ultimately dependent, is amended. Amended claim 1 additionally recites a sheet feeding mechanism, and states that the paper feed mechanism, the printhead, and an exit into the curved paper guide define a substantially planar path through the printer. Further, it is recited that paper is fed through the planar partially by the force of gravity.

Neither Akira (JP 2001-130090) nor Brenner et al. (US 6,206,593) teach or suggest the arrangement recited in amended claim 1.

The pending claims are hence submitted to be novel and inventive.

Other Amendments

New claim 33 recites that the planar path is substantially parallel to a plane defined by the flat panel display. This feature is not taught or suggested by any of the cited references.

Favorable reconsideration of the application in light of the above amendments and remarks is respectfully requested. Applicant looks forward to word of further official communication in due course.

Very respectfully,

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